REMARKS

The above-referenced application has been reviewed in light of the office action dated 11/29/2004. Reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the foregoing amendment and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 12-15 are allowed, with claims 2,3, and 7 are objected to but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Consequently, claim 1 has been amended to include limitations of claims 2 and 3, and claim 6 has been amended to include limitations of claim 7. Therefore, claims 1, 6, 12-15 are pending in this response since claims 2-5, 7-11 have been deleted.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has addressed all of the Examiner's issues. Therefore, if any issues were inadvertently not addressed, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner calls the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below in order to expedite prosecution of this application to allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully asserted that all the claims pending in this application, are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, he is, again, invited to contact the undersigned at (503) 459 2024. Consideration of this patent application and early allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

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